

YAKIMA VALLEY LIBRARIES

2023 WINTER READING CHALLENGE



SUGGESTED BY A LIBRARIAN/BOOKSELLER ☐	SOMEWHERE YOU'D LIKE TO VISIT ☐	PICTURE BOOK ☐	AUTHOR YOU HAVEN'T READ BEFORE ☐	THREE-WORD TITLE ☐
PUBLISHED IN 2023 ☐	OUT OF YOUR COMFORT ZONE ☐	INCLUDES LETTERS/EMAILS ☐	REVOLVES AROUND A HOLIDAY ☐	ASK ABOUT A YVL ONLINE RESOURCE (STAFF INITIALS) ☐ _____
AWARD WINNER ☐	HAS FOOTNOTES ☐	PASSIONATELY RECOMMEND A BOOK 	TIED TO CURRENT EVENTS ☐	PICKED BY A BOOK CLUB (DOESN'T HAVE TO BE YOURS!) ☐
ABSTRACT COVER ☐	A LOVE STORY ☐	TRANSLATED FROM ANOTHER LANGUAGE ☐	NON-WESTERN FAIRY TALE ☐	RE-READ A FAVORITE BOOK ☐
CHECKED OUT FROM THE 300s ☐	LISTEN TO AN AUDIOBOOK ☐	ACTION/ADVENTURE ☐	#WeNeedDiverseBooks ☐	MENTAL HEALTH ☐

THIS SOUNDS GREAT! HOW DO I PLAY?

1. Visit your community library and request a Bingo card OR print a Bingo card from the YVL website. (If you prefer a contact-free experience, simply go to your library during open hours and call the phone number on the Contact-Free Pick Up sign to request a game card. No appointment is necessary.)
2. Read! And work toward a Bingo or black out by filling in book titles on your card.
3. Return your completed game card to your local library OR submit your game card online by Friday, March 31, 2023, and complete a raffle entry form for a chance to win one of several prizes.

DO I HAVE TO READ PRINT BOOKS?

Nope! You're encouraged to enjoy all book formats, including books on CD, e-books, downloadable audiobooks, etc.

WHAT IF I STARTED A BOOK IN 2022, BUT FINISHED IT AFTER THE NEW YEAR, AND/OR BEFORE I GOT MY BINGO CARD?

If it fits one of the categories, feel free to use it! As long as you were still reading the book at the start of 2023, it counts.

WHAT IF I NEED IDEAS ABOUT WHAT TO READ?

If you're stumped or would like book suggestions for some of the Bingo squares, you can ask library staff, check out NoveList Plus, or use one of YVL's online book lists, some of which were specifically created for this program.

MY CHILD(REN) WOULD LOVE THIS! CAN THEY PLAY, TOO?

Sorry, no. This program is limited to adults 18 and older; however, we invite children and teens to participate in our annual summer reading program, which begins in June.

I READ A BOOK THAT COULD BE APPLIED TO MULTIPLE SPACES ON MY BINGO CARD. CAN I DO THAT?

Again, no—you can only use each title once.

HOW ARE BINGOS COUNTED?

- A completed Bingo card can have up to five Bingos – at which point you also have a blackout, meaning all the squares have been filled in.
- Each filled-in square/title can only be counted once.
- A card with a single Bingo gives you one entry. A card with two Bingos gives you two entries and so on.
- A card with a blackout gives you five entries – and they don't all have to go into the same drawing.

YOU MENTIONED PRIZES. TELL ME MORE...

If you complete and return your game board by Friday, March 31, 2023, you can enter your name in a drawing for one of several prizes – you choose which prize jar you would like your entry to go in. For each Bingo you complete, you will also automatically be entered in a drawing for one of three grand prizes.

HOW DO I SUBMIT MY GAME CARD?

Game cards should be submitted by, or on, Friday, March 31st.

Entry Option #1: ONLINE RAFFLE ENTRY

- a. Write your name across the top of your game card
- b. Take a clear photo of your game card, ensuring that your name is visible
- c. Complete the online raffle entry form by visiting www.yvl.org/winter, where you'll be asked to upload a photo of your game card
- d. Submit the form along with your image file, and you're done!

Entry Option #2: IN-PERSON RAFFLE ENTRY

- a. Bring your game card to your community library during open hours and request a raffle entry pack from staff.
- b. Fill out the raffle entry form, then place it AND your game card into the designated location, as directed by staff.

WHEN WILL WINNERS BE ANNOUNCED?

We'll draw names in April and will contact winners by phone or email. However, if your name is drawn and we haven't heard back from you within seven (7) days from when we first tried to contact you, we will draw another name. Limit: one prize per person.